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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The Examiner has stated the following for reasons for allowance:

"Primarily, the claimed combination of the oxide layer and second resistive layer as claimed in the combination is not disclosed or suggested. While Wang '035 discloses the oxide layer and a first resistive layer, Wang is disqualified as prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103."

It is the applicant's understanding that the claims of the present application are patentable over the prior art (including Wang '035-U.S. Patent No. 6,489,035) because the prior art fails to

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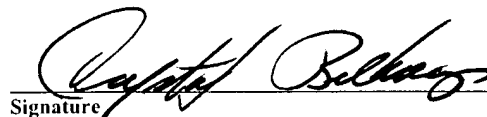
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teach or suggest a resistor foil including an oxide layer, a first layer of a first resistor metal, and a second layer of a second resistor metal, as defined by claim 1, or resistor foil including an oxide layer, a first layer of a first resistive material, and a second layer of a second resistive material, as defined by claim 15.

In this regard, none of the cited prior art (including Wang '035) taken individually or in combination, teach or suggest the applicant's claimed invention.

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